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that, you know, under the strict interpretation of the law, we're going to have some unintended consequences. Again, if you leave your name and phone number, that doesn't count. You have to have name, address, and registration number; otherwise, you're going to lose your license for 30 days. So I think we should do an amendment to kind of clean this up a little bit, as I interpret it. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Suttle.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the Legislature, I think that I understand where Senator Bourne is coming from. I don't know why we can't put a "may" in there instead of a "shall" to give the judge a little discretion, but I think that everyone knows that when you hit something or somebody and you leave the scene of that incident, that this is...this is not...this is illegal. The important part, I think, of this particular statute...and I would ask Senator Beutler if I could ask him some questions.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Beutler, would you respond?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Sure.

SENATOR SUTTLE: On...on...in this particular issue wouldn't it be more important to report this to the police and as quickly as possible? Isn't that the more important part of the statute rather than worry about name, phone number, and registration number?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, I...I certainly have no objection to that portion of the statute requiring immediate reporting. And if you left the penalty the same in that circumstance, that would seem perfectly appropriate to me.

SENATOR SUTTLE: I don't think that the...the reason I brought this bill was that the penalty was so minor that it didn't bother people to not abide by the law. If it started hitting them in their pocketbook and they knew they were going to lose their license, because they were drunk and hit...hit a parked car, or they were drunk and left the scene of an accident, that